

**ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION**

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Title of Invention:           SERUM BIOMARKERS IN HEPATOCELLULAR  
CARCINOMA

Date of Execution of Declaration: Concurrent with the signing of this Assignment

Filing Date:                 September 23, 2004

Application No.:           10/508,781; and

WHEREAS, The Chinese University of Hong Kong., an educational institution, located at Shatin, N.T., Hong Kong SAR, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring an interest in the invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted on any patent application claiming priority from the same;

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